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SUBJECT: LAOS COMMUNIST PARTY EMERGES FROM CLANDESTINE STATUS

REF: (A) A-030 OF MARCH 12, 1973

(B) FBIS BANGKOK 161112 Z - MARCH 1973

(C) FBIS BANGKOK 161336 Z - MARCH 1973

1. REFERENCE (B) AND (C) REPORT MESSAGES OF GRATITUDE FROM KAYSONE PHOMVIHANE AS SECRETARY GENERAL OF LAO PEOPLES' REVOLUTIONARY PARTY, TO SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY SECRETARY GENERAL BRESHNEV AND CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF VIETNAM WORKERS' PARTY. MESSAGES CONTAINED NUMEROUS REFERENCES TO STATUS AND EXISTENCE OF LAO PEOPLES' REVOLUTIONARY PARTY, I. E., LAO COMMUNIST PARTY, THE FIRST WHICH HAVE EVER APPEARED OVER RADIO PATHET LAO. MESSAGE TO SOVIETS CONTAINED REFERENCE TO " THE VARIOUS FRATERNAL SOCIALIST COUNTRIES, LED BY THE SOVIET UNION." MESSAGE TO VIETNAM WORKERS' PARTY STATES THAT LAO PARTY WILL " SPARE NO EFFORT TO NURTURE THE SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES AND TWO PEOPLES."

2. COMMENT: BROADCAST OF THESE MESSAGES SUGGESTS THAT FUNDA-
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MENTAL DECISIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN WITHIN LAO COMMUNIST MOVEMENT THAT, AS RESULT OF SIGNING OF VIETNAM AND LAO AGREEMENTS, REVOLUTIONARY SITUATION FROM COMMUNIST POINT OF VIEW HAS PROGRESSED TO EXTENT THAT HITHERTO CLANDESTINE COMMUNIST PARTY CAN EMERGE INTO PUBLIC VIEW TO BEGIN ESTABLISHING ITSELF IN VANGUARD OF REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT. ABSENCE OF SIMILARY MESSAGE TO CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY, AND REFERENCE TO " SOVIET LEADERSHIP OF VARIOUS FRATERNAL SOCIALIST COUNTRIES," SHOULD CAUSE CONSIDERABLE PIQUE IN PEKING. REF. A. REPORTS CONVERSATION WITH LAO NEUTRALIST PARTY SEC GEN TIAO SIHARATH PHASOUK MARCH 6, IN WHICH HE PREDICTED THAT ONE RESULT OF SIGNING OF VIENTIANE AGREEMENT WOULD BE EMERGENCE OF LAO COMMUNIST PARTY IN NEAR FUTURE.
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